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Media Advisory

Release Dates For 2003 Monthly Employment Statistics

Beginning with this year's data, there will be a switch to a new coding system causing a delay in the reporting of unemployment figures, according to Kirsta Glenn, Employment Security Department's chief economist. "The delay will be for the January and February data," said Glenn.

The January data will be released at noon March 4 instead of in February. The February data will be released at noon April 1 instead of in March. The remainder of the data will be back on schedule beginning with the March data to be released April 22.

During the rest of 2003, the monthly employment statistics will be released at noon on the following dates:

March 4 *

April 1 *

April 22

May 20

June 17

July 15

August 12

September 16

October 14

November 18

December 16

January 20, 2004